duty free import facility for the leather sector; permitting sample fabrics within the duty free entitlement and incorporating additional items under the norms for the textiles sector; reduction of value addition norms and permitting personal carriage of jewellery through Hyderabad and Jaipur airports under the gems and jewellery sector; DEPB rates for pesticide formulations, special DEPB rates for agro products and processed agro products exported in packages of 1 kg or less, reimbursement of 50% of registration fees for drugs under the Chemicals sector and a general transport subsidy to the North Eastern States, Sikkim and Jammu & Kashmir.

Clearance of FDI Proposals

2384. SHRI RUMANDALA RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have cleared fifteen FDI proposals;

(b) if so, the quantum of money involved in these FDI proposals; and

(c) the projects on which these foreign investments have been accepted?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (DR. RAMAN SINGH): (a) to (c) The Government have approved fifteen FIPB proposals involving FDI amounting to Rs.11.27 crore in the FIPB meeting held on 7.2.2002. Brief particulars are at Statement.

Statement

List of 15 cases approved in FIPB meeting held on 7.2.2002

1. Simithers-Oasis (India) Pvt. Ltd.
   Activity-Outsourcing of manufacture of foams, growing media and greenstuff industrial absorvents from third parties.

2. DBK India Technologies Pvt. Ltd.
   Activitiy—Electronic appliances for mosquito killers and air freshners.

3. Mitsui & Company Ltd.
   Activity—Export of products manufactured by non-Mitsui companies to Japan and other countries.

4. GE Capital services India
   Activity—Financial Services.

5. Eaton Industries Pvt. Ltd.
   Activity—Automotive controls and Hydraulics operations.

6. ACER Computer International Ltd.
   Activity—Extension of test marketing of note books

7. Barconet Pvt. Ltd.
   Activity—IT related services

8. I-Flex Solutions Ltd.
   Activity—IT Solutions

9. Insilco Sciences (India) Pvt. Ltd.
   Activity—Software solutions

10. Congruent Solutions Pvt. Ltd.
    Activity—Computer Software Development

11. Softblue India Pvt. Ltd.
    Activity—Computer Software Development

12. Pechiney Alumina Resources India Pvt. Ltd.
    Activity—Mining of Bauxite

13. Conoco Lubricant India Pvt. Ltd.
    Activity—Marketing. and sales of petroleum based industrial lubricants.

14. Mitsue Steel Pvt. Ltd.
    Activity—centreless grinding of bright steel bars.

15. Johnson Wax Professional Pvt. Ltd.
    Activity—sourcing of branded products for healthcare facility maintenance etc. for undertaking wholesale trading.